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FORGET IT

If you see a tall fellow ahead of the crowd,
A leader of men, marching fearless and proud,
And you know of a tale whose mere telling aloud
Would cause this proud head to in anguish be bowed,
It's a pretty good plan to forget it.

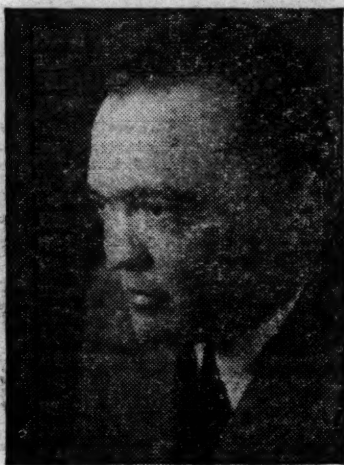
If you know of a skeleton hidden away
In a closet, and guarded and kept from the day
In the dark, whose showing, whose sudden display
Would cause grief and sorrow and life long dismay—
It's a pretty good plan to forget it.

If you know of a spot in the life of a friend,
(We all have such spots concealed, world without end),
Whose touching his heart strings would play on and rend
Till the shame of its showing no grieving could mend,
It's a pretty good plan to forget it.

If you know anything that will darken the joy
Of a man or a woman, a girl or a boy,
That will wipe out a smile or the least way annoy
A fellow, or cause any gladness to cloy,
It's a pretty good plan to forget it.

—Author unknown

A Crusade to Build God's Altar in the Home



J. Edgar Hoover

J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the FBI, declares, - "The continuing flood of immorality and crime accompanies an all too evident substitution of a secular, materialistic philosophy for the historic reliance upon divine guidance which has been a cornerstone of our American Democracy. The youth who has experienced old-fashioned Christian training and discipline in the home and has received sound, efficient Bible teaching in Sunday School has been given a sword and buckler against temptation.

"Parents must create in the home an atmosphere of Christian living and reliance upon divine guidance. This may well be accomplished by a revival of family Bible Reading and prayer."



Rev. L. E. Barton

Every home won to a daily family worship is another link in the chain of America's return to God. How it would open the way for God to work in the power of a National Awakening if today in every Christ-professing family there were times together for the study of the Word of God and prayer.

And if in all these Family Altar devotions every family would covenant with God every morning or evening, or both, to pray for a national awakening what a tremendous link would be forged in the chain of prayer for America's return to the God of her Founding Fathers.

What chance has godless Communism if we can get a million firesides praying together each

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REVIVAL

By B. McCall Barbour,
Edinburgh, Scotland

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray; and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."—II Chron. 7:14.

Revival is needed. It may be had. God waits to give it. But it will come, only on God's conditions.

A supreme need of these momentous days is to know clearly and definitely what God's conditions for revival are. The next step is to fall in line with God. Then we shall receive the blessing that we seek.

The expressed opinions of men as to means and methods will do little to further the cause. Indeed, such may do much to hinder it. Man's method, consciously or unconsciously so often is to "get up" something that is attractive. God's method is to "get down" some One who is effective. God's conditions are the only conditions upon which revival can come.

Thus it is all important to know what God's conditions for revival are.

What are they? For answer to this we must appeal to His own Word. The Scripture placed at the forefront of these pages gives us the divine programme for revival. Thus saith the Lord:—

"If My People Shall . . .
Then Will I . . ."

The statement is prefixed by an

"IF" which at once indicates that revival is conditional. "IF" certain conditions are complied with on the one hand, "THEN" certain results will most surely follow; for God has said it. But if the conditions set down are ignored, neglected, or treated with indifference, or are substituted by other methods and means, then there can be no expectation that the results promised will be manifested or experienced.

In face of this significant "IF" how important it is that the conditions for revival be clearly understood and wholeheartedly accepted.

Revival means "life again"—a renewal of life—a fresh inflow of "Christ, who is our life" (Col. 3:4). This being so, it can refer only to those who have already had life; to those who have been "born again" (John 3:3), and who truly belong to Christ. God's Word is very plain upon this point. The subjects of revival are:—

"My People, Which are Called By My Name."

While it is manifest at times of revival, that crowds of the unsaved are quickened, regenerated,

"converted," it must be clearly kept in mind that such happens only because of the revived life of those whom the Lord designates as "my people, who are called by my name."

When the Lord's own people are revived then the streams of "the water of life" will fill them and flow through them, and overflow them in quickening and life-giving power to the "dry and thirsty land" and the dead souls around.

In some cases, amongst the Lord's own people, the need for revival is keenly felt, and hearts are crying out for a closer walk with God, for a deeper love and a greater sense of the divine presence, for a fresh endowment of power for personal victory and for more devoted service. Many have a keen and sorrowful consciousness of the loss of their first love and the lack of the Spirit's presence, peace, and power. It is the sigh and the sob and the cry of their hearts:—

Where is the blessedness I knew
When first I saw the Lord?
Where is the soul-refreshing view
Of Jesus and His word?

What peaceful hours I once enjoyed!
How sweet their memory still!
But they have left an aching void,
The world can never fill.

"Wilt thou not revive us again:
that thy people may rejoice in
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The Closed Door

By Rev. L. E. Barton,
long parliamentarian of the Southern Baptist Convention,
greatly-loved minister of Montgomery, Alabama

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me."—Rev. 3:20.

In Keble College, Oxford, there is the best known picture of a justly famed artist, Holman Hunt, which he entitled, "Light of the World." A door with rusty hinges and enmeshed by weeds is seen. The Son of Man in pleading patience stands bearing a light in one hand with the other one knocking on the door. In His face there is an expression of disappointed love and pity unrequited. The artist with genius has sensed the gospel message and showed our Lord seeking admission to the lives of men. The warning fact is set forth that the door is closed; also that it must be opened from the inside, for there is no handle without.

Whose Door is Closed?

Whose door is closed against Jesus? The invitation in this great text is too wide to be limited to one class, but to be true to the context we must remember it was given to the Laodicean church. "Unto the church of the Laodiceans write," the angel or messenger was commanded. Of the seven churches to whom the Lord sent letters, only one was blameless—Smyrna. Some of them had much evil and a little good; others had much good and some evil. But Laodicea was almost entirely bad. It had worldly riches and great spiritual poverty. "I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing."

Nothing could be more wretched than that. A poor laborer never would have gone into that complacent congregation of millionaires. Money need not blight a church, but putting its confidence in money will quickly work the ruin of any church. J. H. Anderson, Knoxville, Tennessee, was, perhaps, the richest man in the First Baptist Church. One heard him say: "I have lost a million dollars this year," (It was in 1932)

but he went on giving \$750 dollars a Sunday to the work of his church. Later he gave all the proceeds of his business except a modest living. But the members of the Laodicean church trusted in riches, hence were "wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked," and at the same time blissfully ignorant of their own shame.

Taken by and large, the church is the best institution in the world, but many churches live in such a manner as to shut Jesus out of His own house. How unjust to Him, how unfair to ourselves, how deadly to the world for us to shut the Master out. A very precocious child, under two years old, once heard this discussion and caught the picture of the Lord outside with the door closed against Him. She went home and said: "O Grandmother, the preacher said somebody closed the door and wouldn't let Jesus in. Wasn't that awfully bad, Grandmother?" Oh, it's unspeakably bad not to let Jesus in. He said literally: "Behold, I am standing and am knocking" (Continued on page 2)

The Sunday School Teacher as a Soul Winner

By Marion Lawrance

I am very sure, dear friends, that with me you have been singing the doxology in your hearts as we have been listening to these wonderful testimonies of Mr. Hadley and Mr. Monroe and Mr. Reed, and I have a fear that what I shall say may sound somewhat tame after these words tonight; but it is just for the purpose of making that sort of testimony less frequent that we are so interested in the Sunday School.

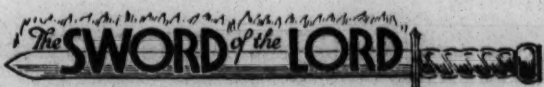
Better Saved in S. S. Than in Rescue Missions

The government has two ways of saving life on the ocean. It takes a number of men and plants them in this place and says: "You are to conduct a life-saving station." They have all the apparatus for that sort of work, but they must wait until the ships are on the rocks, until the men are struggling in the water for their lives before they can send men out to save them. Then the government has another way—the lighthouse. It plants this house and says: "You live in this house, and before the ships get onto the rocks you warn them off, and show them from the place of danger into a place of safety." The rescue mission work that these dear brothers are giving their lives for is the life-sav-

ing station, but the Sunday School is trying to save life by the light-house plan rather than the life-boat plan. We are trying to keep these boys and girls off the rocks.

I was in Pacific Garden Mission not long ago, and saw a bleary-eyed, drunken man come staggering in, and I knew that that man had once been an innocent little boy; in the Jerry McAuley Mission, where I spent an evening a while ago, I saw a woman in the same condition. I knew she had once been an innocent little girl. Our work is for the boys and girls, and your hearts are all interested in these. I was sitting one day with Mr. Wanamaker, and he said: "We have the best end of it. When you save a man or a woman, you save a unit; but when you save

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By Charles L. Ramsay

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The Closed Door

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ing," indicating that He had been there sometime and was continuing and very patiently knocking.

What Closed the Door?

Sin had closed the door against Jesus. Sin had kept it closed. Sin will make a church powerless. Sin will destroy a preacher's influence. Sin will make deacons unfruitful.

A pretty fable says that a lump of clay had a very delightful odor always proceeding from it. One day a person said: "Sweet lump of clay, would you be good enough to tell us why you always have such a delicious odor like the attar of roses?" "That I will and gladly too," said the clay, which looked so common and smelled so sweet. "I used to live in a beautiful garden," continued the piece of earth; "and right by where I lay was a great lovely rose that filled the air with perfume and its petals fell on me and saturated the whole earth with sweet savor. The rose bloomed every month in the year and the garden was never without its odor. I loved that happy place. But one day a plowman came and moved me here, but my long stay by the rose gave me this odor which you like so well."

If we always lived very close to Jesus, our bodies of clay and our stupid minds would catch some of His charm and absorb some of His light which would light the way for others to come to Him.

God can and will forgive every kind and manner of sin if men repent, except the unpardonable sin. That sin God says He will not pardon. God's people would not

commit that sin, so let them be comforted, and let others be warned lest if they long continue in rebellion to God, they may become so hardened that they might defy Him even in that particular act and thereby pass beyond the pale of mercy.

Every other sin God will forgive. In fact, Christ, in His death, suffered for all the Christians' sins and all condemnation was removed when we believed on the Lord. "There is therefore now no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus made me free from the law of sin and death," (Romans 8:1, 2, American Standard Version). Paul says: "The Spirit of life in Christ Jesus made me free." He gave it as his own experience. Every Christian can do the same. But listen, friends, if we are Christ's freedmen, let us live like free men and not let sin reign over us.

The psychologists and psychiatrists through careful studies of many cases have concluded that the average person does only about one-seventh or one-tenth of what he is capable of doing if he had perfect control and complete application of all his powers. One is convinced that this is true of our lives as individuals and as churches. Sin, idleness, ease, love of pleasure, delay, dalliance, delusion and (sometime) devilry eat out the heart of piety and consecration so that churches become only religious clubs and preachers degenerate into pious essayists.

Christ was standing at the door of that rich Laodocian church rebuking them for their smug sat-

isfaction and offering them a new life of enjoyment if they would let Him come in and take charge. If the pastor of that church had preached a red-hot spiritual sermon against lust and liquor and lucre, he would have been fired before the next Sunday. That church has a counterpart in many rich churches even in our country today.

When the fight to repeal the Eighteenth Amendment came on, the deacons of a large Baptist church immediately turned thumbs down on having Alvin York speak in their building against the liquor evil. One believes Christ was standing at that church door saying: "Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing, and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked; I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent."

One Can Open the Door

"If any man hear my voice and open the door," says Jesus, "I will come in." One person who knows how to pray and work may open the door of a whole church. D. L. Moody in his early days as a Christian heard somebody say: "The world is waiting to see what God can do with just one man who is wholly given to Him." Moody said: "Well, I will try to be that man," and the world knows how well he succeeded.

There was an invalid woman in London, bed-ridden many years and a devout Christian. Her sister came from church one Sunday and said: "Oh, you can't guess who preached for us today! It was a Mr. Moody from America." The invalid clapped her hands and said, "Bless the Lord, we are going to have a great revival!"

Moody preached that morning to people with faces hard as stone, and they were hard as flint again that night until half way through the sermon when a distinct change came. It seemed the very breath of God had blown in through the windows and the people smiled, wept, and rejoiced. The preacher gave an invitation and pews full all over the house stood for prayer or to confess their sins and accept the Saviour. Moody said to the pastor, "What does this mean?"

The pastor said, "I am sure I don't know."

Moody said, "We will go down stairs to the lecture room, and let nobody go there except those who want to be saved, and the personal workers."

Silently and quickly the people filled the lecture room. Moody gave an exhortation and an invitation, and scores or a half hundred rose for prayer. Moody said to the pastor, "What DOES this mean?"

The pastor said, "I am sure I don't know."

Moody said: "I am going to Scotland tonight. If I were you, I would announce services, and if the meeting continues with power I will come back if you wire me."

A telegram awaited his arrival in Scotland, and he hurriedly returned and preached two weeks, and four hundred joined that church and scores joined other London churches.

With his practical sense, Moody made an investigation and found that that invalid woman four years before had got hold of a Chicago paper which had a sermon from Moody, which she read, and then began to pray that God would send Moody and a great revival to her church. One woman had opened the door and let Christ into a church.

The responsibility, then, is on every member of a sleeping, worldly church to open the door that Christ may come in to bless the whole membership. Many unspiritual church members are not conscious of how they are wronging themselves and their friends by their un-Christlike conduct. Some great revival, some earthquake of divine power that will wake the dead, purify society and dedicate the people to God must come. This can come through service of intercession on the part of some who

keep unbroken fellowship with God. This open window through which the light and message of God can enter is our hope. This specially leased wire which is never grounded so power cannot be transmitted will keep Zion's chariot wheels moving with accelerated speed. The voice of a believing child, the pleading of a helpless invalid, the rude sentences of an unlettered laborer may raise the flood gates at the dam so as to make an arid desert blossom as the rose. This writer and the reader no doubt have responsibility here of which they have little dreamed.

F. B. Meyer delivered a spiritual address of surpassing power before the Southern Baptist Convention in Baltimore nearly forty years ago in which he told the story of the keys. He had a vision; it was more than a day dream. The Saviour approached him and said, "Will you give me the keys of your life?"

He said: "Yes," and put a bunch of keys in the nail-pierced hand. Jesus looked at them, fingered and counted them, and sadly said to him, "Isn't there another one? Give me that one too. I must have them all."

Then shamefacedly he had to say: "Yes, Master, there is another one." He put that one in the palm of his Redeemer. "From that moment," he testified to the great audience, "there has been in my soul a sweet peace and in my life a power for service I had never known before." The audience then understood why this spiritual prince through both his spoken and written message had drawn two continents nearer to God.

Our own souls demand that we open the door to Jesus. The lost men we touch each day who are hastening to doom constitute a reason for opening the door that our Master may control every area, and interest, and purpose, (Continued on page 9)

Raymond F. Hamilton Accepts Call to Chicago Church

REV. RAYMOND F. HAMILTON began his ministry at Belden Avenue Baptist Church of Chicago on Sunday, September 2nd, where he recently accepted an enthusiastic call. He succeeds Dr. Howard C. Fulton, who died suddenly at the close of his morning service on January 21, after nineteen years of faithful ministry.

Pastor and Mrs. Hamilton and their three children left Burholme Baptist Church of Philadelphia, Pa., where they have concluded a successful four-year pastorate.

Mr. Hamilton is an active member of the Council of Fourteen of the General Association of Regular Baptists. Recently, he returned from Sao Paulo, Brazil where he attended the Pan-American Evangelical Conference of the International Council of Christian Churches, of which organization he is the treasurer.

Pastor Hamilton was graduated from William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri, and attended the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary.

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Louis Wunneburger Blessed in Amarillo, Texas

We were happy to receive August 9 the following letter from our good friend and evangelist, Louis Wunneburger:

"Dear Dr. Rice:

"I sure am sorry that I am missing all of those good feasts in the conferences this year. But this is the greatest year that I have ever had! In fact, in the first seven months of 1951, already God has permitted me to see more souls saved and joining the churches than in any other full twelve months that I have labored on the evangelistic field! PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW!

"Just a few days ago I completed the engagement with the LINE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH, AMARILLO, TEXAS, of which Dr. J. W. Sisemore is the beloved pastor... What spiritual tides of victory flowed in! Only one day of the full two weeks did

we have no one saved or joining the church! It was truly as in the days of the apostles, 'And the Lord added to the church daily...' The statistics of the revival show 691 coming during the invitations, for salvation, for rededication, for surrender, for special service, for church membership, or to pledge themselves to God's plan of giving the tithe. Truly we had times of refreshing from above.

"Yes, and I am to go back again next year, the Lord willing, for my third engagement in three consecutive years! In the past four months that church has had 235 additions to the church!

"Thank you for keeping me before God's throne in Prayer.

"Sincerely in Christ Jesus,"

(Signed) Louis Wunneburger



Editor's Notes

Please send all mail to the editor to the office at Wheaton, Illinois.

A half day is given me at my office. My wife, two daughters and I drove away from Sword of the Lord Conference on Revival and Soul Winning, Siloam Springs, Arkansas, Friday afternoon at 1:30. We came to Springfield where we had dinner with the Max Hawkins, and I caught an 8:30 p. m. plane to Chicago. At midnight my daughter and son-in-law met me at the Chicago airport. So I had a half-night's sleep at home and a half-day's work at the office before I take the Chicago plane at 12:25 Standard Time, for Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and my engagement tonight at the Central Manor Camp Meeting where I will be for the next eight days.

With Happy Christians

I know how Paul the apostle felt toward his converts in Philippi when he wrote, "My dearly beloved and longed for, my joy and crown, so stand fast in the Lord, my dearly beloved" (Phil. 4:1). Mr. and Mrs. Max Hawkins at Springfield, Missouri, spent some days at the Sword Conference on Revival and Soul Winning at Siloam Springs, Arkansas. It was a joy for Mrs. Rice, Joanna, Joy and me to be in their home for dinner last night. Mrs. Hawkins was saved in our city-wide campaign in Springfield in May 1949. Mr. Hawkins came out of a modernistic church and got happily settled in a spiritual and soul-winning church. They are so happy in the Lord. It was a joy to hear them talk of their soul-winning experiences. As we were about to enter the Hawkins' home, a lady drove up to the curb to greet us most joyfully. She also was saved in the campaign in Springfield. Mr. Hawkins and I had time for six holes of golf, greatly needed after a strenuous two weeks with six services a day. At the golf course we

you one of this privileged company called "my people?" If so, then, beloved, we beseech you, consider seriously what responsibility is yours. It is upon you and all such that revival depends. It is to you the conditions for revival apply.

"Oh that My people had hearkened unto me, and Israel walked in my ways!

"I should soon have subdued their enemies, and turned my hand against their adversaries. The haters of the Lord should have submitted themselves unto him: but their time should have endured for ever.

"He should have fed them also with the finest of the wheat: and with honey out of the rock should

S.S. Teachers and Officers, Save This Issue!

By Fairy Shappard

Advertising Manager

With the new fall impetus of the Sunday School in mind and with a real burden to be of help to every Sunday School teacher and officer who reads THE SWORD, we have prepared this special Sunday School issue. Now we earnestly suggest:

1. That you prayerfully read the message, "The Sunday School Teacher as a Soul Winner," by Marion Lawrance, and earnestly set out to win to Christ every unsaved pupil in your class or Sunday School.

2. That you read carefully every ad in the paper. You will find here items needed for your new fall program, some you will wish to order at once. We have made a real effort to offer a wide selection of true-to-the-Bible materials and helps.

3. THAT YOU SAVE THIS COPY OF THE SWORD! You will want to read the message by Marion Lawrance again, I believe, and you will want to keep the paper at hand for later reference to products and services of special value to Sunday School teachers.

4. Be sure to mention THE SWORD OF THE LORD when answering an ad or placing an order!

May God give you wonderful success in your Sunday School this year, particularly in winning your lost pupil to Christ.

met another man converted in the campaign two years ago! What a joy to see these converts who love the Lord and are happy in Him! Mr. Hawkins helped me win two boys to Christ at Springdale, Arkansas, last week. It was so good to see some of the fruits of our labors and to have fellowship with our friends.

A Soul Winner Still Going Strong

It was a great joy to see Brother Fred Hawkins, friend of the editor and of the Sword, who owns the Hawkins Mill in Springfield. He helped us greatly in the Springfield revival and is one of the most devoted soul winners we have known. It was a joy to see him this week at Siloam Springs and then last night for a few minutes in Springfield. Converted at forty-seven, he has consistently worked to win souls. God has given him hundreds of converts, particularly among older men. Now he speaks frequently in churches as a layman telling soul-winning experiences and urging upon others this holy work of bringing men to Christ. What a comfort to our hearts is this great and good man!

Examples of Life-Changing Results

The Sword Conferences on Revival and Soul Winning make a tremendous impact on the lives of those who attend. At the recent Sword conference at the Latham Springs Baptist Encampment Ground near Aquilla, Texas, Rev. Millard Box told how such a Sword conference at Winona Lake in 1945 changed his life. From a cigarette-smoking, picture-show-going worldly preacher he was set on fire for the Lord and God has given

I have satisfied thee" (Psalm 81:13-16).

"Thus saith the Lord, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I am the Lord thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go.

"Oh, that thou hadst hearkened to My commandments! then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea: ... There is no peace, saith the Lord, unto the wicked." (Isaiah 48:17-18, 22).

How significant are these words in their spiritual application to the believer in Christ today!

Revival depends upon "my people." How solemn is the fact. Shall we pause and calmly consider what it means?

The first step towards revival is that "My people, which are called by my name

Humble Themselves"

What an ordeal is this! To the natural heart it is the hardest of all problems, the severest of all service. It is the subordination of "I" and the exaltation of Christ. However hard, however severe, it must be done. "This 'ME' has got to be killed at the outset." (Rev. Douglas-Brown.)

There can be no progress in our quest for revival till we get there. That is the first step.

To humble ourselves is not merely to confess our sin and failure of the past. It is to admit as well our present utter inability to be anything or to do anything

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hundreds of souls to this Spirit-filled preacher since then.

This week a good doctor and his wife at Siloam Springs reminded me that a year ago they went aside with me to pray. The doctor's good wife had been pronounced incurably ill. We prayed for God's healing and now her physician reports her well, in answer to prayer.

At Siloam Springs also a good man from an eastern state told how at Lake Louise, Toccoa, Georgia, last year a Sword Conference on Revival and Soul Winning was the turning point in his life. He heard Dr. E. J. Daniels speak on the Spirit-filled life, and resolved by God's grace that he would have the power of the Holy Spirit and would win souls. He memorized six Scriptures and went to talk with a lost man. He forgot all the Scriptures and so read my little booklet, "What Must I Do to Be Saved?" to the lost man and the man was converted. So he started in soul winning and now has won many souls. He has helped organize a new church which has had scores of conversions and additions within the last year. He is giving half of his income to the Lord's cause.

Thank God for evidence that our labor is not in vain in the Lord!

Siloam Springs Conference Greatest Ever

People from 18 states came to the Sword Conference on Revival and Soul Winning at the Baptist State Assembly Ground, Siloam Springs, Arkansas, August 12 to 17. A very large proportion were pastors and other Christian workers. We had the largest attendance we have ever had. Year by year the conference has been growing. How blessed if we could plan for 500 ministers and their families to attend that conference next year! And, of course, all Christians are welcome and will be blessed by the Spirit-filled Bible teaching, preaching, singing and counsel there. It is a wonderful vacation spot. Better make your plans for next year, August 10 to 15 in these foothills of the Ozarks.

Shall We Evangelize Indonesia?

We are trying to get free literature everywhere to the hungry hearts of lost sinners who would read and be saved. What about Indonesia, including Java, Borneo, and smaller islands? Indonesia is now being vigorously propagandized by communists. An Indonesian in Chicago writes August 12 saying: "Dear Bro. Rice:

"Would it be possible to translate your tract, 'What Must I Do to Be Saved?' into the Indonesian language? There are 64 million Mohammedans in the whole of Indonesia. If possible, also other tracts you wrote.

"Sincerely yours,"

(Signed) Hoy Fa Tan

Will friends eager to win souls pray with me about this need?

Dr. Millard A. Jenkins Writes

Dr. Millard A. Jenkins, long pastor of the large First Baptist Church of Abilene, Texas, has been one of the most useful and beloved of Southern Baptist leaders. We are happy to have the following letter from him.

"Dear Brother John:

"Yes-sir-ee, I want THE SWORD.

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Revival!

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thee?" (Psa. 85:6). And the answer is, "Yes! if my people will accept and submit to my conditions for revival."

Return, O Holy Dove! Return
Sweet messenger of rest!
I hate the sins that made Thee
mourn,
And drove Thee from my breast.

The dearest idol I have known,
Whate'er that idol be;
Help me to tear it from Thy
Throne
And worship ONLY THEE.

While we quote these verses, the scriptural truth is that the "Holy Dove," the blessed Holy Spirit, when He has come in, never leaves any true child of God. "He abides with you for ever" (John 14:16). But when He is "grieved" (Eph. 4:30) by us, we fail to experience His presence and power. And so it is we need revival. When our hearts cry out for a renewed sense of His presence and a fresh inflow of His power, and when we make way for HIM, then He will flow in—and there will be revival.

Revival, then, is peculiarly applicable to believers in Christ; they who are worthy of the name of "my people," by virtue of having accepted Jesus Christ, God's Son, as their own personal Saviour (John 3:16). They have been "purchased with his blood" (Acts 20:28). They have "received him" (John 1:12). They have been "born again" (John 3:3-5). They are "his sheep" (John 10:27-28), and so they have life.

"This is the record, that God hath given unto us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life" (I John 5:11, 12).

"My people, which are called by my name," includes all true believers in Jesus Christ. This company is "the church of God, which he hath purchased with His own blood" (Acts 20:28). It is this company, including ministers, elders, deacons, evangelists, missionaries, Sunday School superintendents and teachers, church workers, choir leaders and choir members, doorkeepers and all believers everywhere, old and young, rich and poor, learned and illiterate—who are "my people." This is the company that is "called by my name." They are Christians, and consequently ought to manifest the spirit and the life of Christ, and to bear witness in every way to Him.

Now, my reader, let me ask, are

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Christian and War

A few weeks ago we published a fine article by the late Dr. Robert L. Moyer on "The Christian and War." A lady in Oregon writes criticizing that article. Below is given the editor's answer with quotations from her letter, dealt with prayerfully and kindly from the Word of God.

Dear Mrs. B—:

Thank you for your letter which I received this morning. I am sorry you did not like Dr. Moyer's article, "The Christian and War," in *The Sword of the Lord*. I believe if you read it over with an earnest heart to find the will of God and carefully studied the Scriptures given, you would have agreed with the article. Since you did not, I will answer your questions the best I can.

Governments Must Act For God in Putting Down Crime and Aggression

First, you object to Dr. Moyer's statement that "human government is just as truly a divine institution as is the church." But whether you like it or not, that is true. Churches do not always do right. They go wrong in doctrine. They are made up of weak human beings. But the church is a divine institution. So is human government.

Romans 13:1-4 says: "Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation. For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same: For he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil."

It is foolish to say that the "higher powers" mentioned here are heavenly powers, for verse 3 plainly says that God is talking about rulers. And verse 4 says that the ruler "is the minister of God," that he "beareth not the sword in vain," for he is the minister of God. Your trouble is that you are going by your own opinion and not by the Word of God in this matter. Governments are ordained of God. People ought to obey the government just like children ought to obey parents. God comes ahead of parents and God comes ahead of governments, but that does not change the general principle.

Capitalism Is God's Plan for Society

Second, you say, "Oftentimes wars are carried on that prosperity might reign at home." "We cannot see but what this piece that Dr. Moyer writes is all for the war capitalists." You have evidently been under communist influence. Communists and socialists are against capitalism, but the Bible is not. Capitalism simply means the plan of society taught in the Bible in which men have a right to own property, to invest money, to hire workers, and other men have the same rights—the right to work for one man or another, or for himself, to save and own property, to compete with others for the good of all.

If you do not like capitalism, you do not like the American way of life and you do not like the plan plainly given in the Bible. The truth is that big business is in such a minority that it does not much influence the government. There are far more common people with their prejudices and whims like yourself, and all have an equal vote with the richest men in the world, only there are far more of you. It is not only foolish, but wicked to talk against capitalism and to blame capitalists for war. That is the communist line.

Capital Punishment Commanded for Murderers

Third, you say you are against capital punishment for criminals. But in that you ignore the plain teaching of the Word of God. In Genesis 9:6 God commands, "Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man." The government should act for God in executing murderers, says the Scripture. Again, in Exodus 21:12 God commands, "He that smiteth a man, so that he die, shall be surely put to death." And in the New Testament the same God who has not changed His principles a particle says that rulers are God's agents in executing punishment on criminals, that the ruler is a "minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil" (Rom. 13:4). This is why we pay taxes to the government, God says. "For for this cause pay ye tribute also: for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing" (Rom. 13:6). You should not go by your smart ideas about whether it is right to put murderers to death, but go by the Word of God.

Yes, Christians Should Sometimes Go to War

Fourth, you say, "If you, Dr. John Rice, had a dear sweet tender boy, whom you loved dearly, would you want to see him sent over to the front of the battle to give his life?" Let's change the question. If you had a boy, would you want him to be a policeman to keep order and protect people's lives and property? Of course if I had a boy, as I do have three young sons-in-law, I would prefer that their lives not be endangered, but for conscience' sake and for country's sake, I would want them to do their part if they were called just exactly as I myself went in the service in World War I and wore the uniform of my country as a matter of Christian principle and right. Don't you think we Christians should go by what is right instead of what we like, all the time? For conscience' sake, good Christians will be good citizens and obey the government when war is necessary, to protect ourselves and others and to stop aggression.

In the Saviour's name, yours,
John R. Rice

The Bible and Wine

Dear Brother Mc—:

I will try to answer your questions about liquor, as related to certain verses in the Bible.

Ephesians 5:18 says, "Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess." It means that to be filled with wine is excess but to be filled with the Holy Spirit is normal and not excessive. It does not condone drinking intoxicating liquor. To my mind, it simply contrasts the bad, wine, with the good, the Holy Spirit. One should be filled with one but should

not be filled with the other. The Scripture is not talking about being half filled.

You contrast I Timothy 3:8 and I Timothy 3:3. You ask if deacons are to be allowed to drink some and pastors not at all. Actually, in the Revised Standard Version of the New Testament, I Timothy 3:3 says that the bishop or pastor is to be "no drunkard" and the deacons are to be "not addicted to much wine." I think the meaning is the same, the standard the same for both.

Grape juice is not intoxicating, and so one would not be enslaved by it. But intoxicating wine would tend to make one a drunkard, a slave to it.

Titus 2:3 says that women are not to drink much wine. One would not drink pure grape juice to excess, that is, enough to injure the health or morals. The excess would indicate intoxicating wine. Those who drank much wine would be drinking intoxicating wine, perhaps. Yet please remember that there is no separate word for grape juice alone, as far as I know, in the Greek New Testament.

Proverbs 31:6,7 seems to teach that wine has some type of use as a medicine. Remember that there were not many narcotics or stimulants available in ancient times. Now there are many that are better than alcohol for nearly every internal use. And doctors know this.

I suggest that you write for a copy of the pamphlet, *Christ, the Apostles and Wine* by Ernest Gordon, published by the Sunday School Times Company, 325 North 13th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 40c a copy. You will find it very helpful. Another pamphlet, *The Bible and Wine* by the late Farrar Fenton of England was published for Frank Hamilton by the L. B. Printing Company, 19 West 21st Street, New York City, New York. You might send a quarter for a copy.

In the Saviour's name, yours,
John R. Rice

How did Judas Die?

A reader asked this question: "In Acts 1:16-18 it says Judas burst asunder in the midst and all his bowels gushed out, and in Acts 1:25 it refers to Judas again, then in Matthew 27:5 that he went and hanged himself. Please explain it, will you? Thanking you kindly."

The editor's answer is given as follows:

Dear Mrs. H—:

Thank you for your letter and your question.

Yes, the Bible does say both that Judas hanged himself and that he fell and burst asunder. I think that he first hanged himself, then when the body was swollen and swaying in the wind, the frayed rope broke and the dead body, falling, burst open, as the Scripture plainly declares. In the Saviour's name, yours,
John R. Rice

Modernism, Eternal Security, Scofield Bible

My Dear Brother P—:

I am glad to have your letter and will try to answer your questions.

1. "Is a modern church so called because it does not believe in the doctrine once in grace always in grace?"

Answer: No, if that church believes in the full inspiration of the Bible, in the deity of Christ, in the blood atonement, salvation by faith, it is a fundamental church, that is it believes in the great fundamentals of the faith. The Holiness churches, the Nazarene church, the Free Methodist church all are fundamental churches, on the main doctrines I have mentioned, but do not believe in the eternal security of a believer. Some Methodist churches also are fundamental, that is, the local pastor and most of the members

may believe in the fundamentals of the faith. Originally all Methodist churches did believe in the inspiration of the Bible, the deity of Christ, His virgin birth, His bodily resurrection, atonement by the blood, salvation by faith. However, principal Methodist leaders have now repudiated those old-time doctrines which John Wesley believed. But some Methodists are fundamental.

2. You ask "whether Billy Graham preaches once in grace always in grace in doctrine?" I am quite sure that Billy Graham does not make an issue of this doctrine in his union revival campaigns. It would not be wise to have doctrinal controversy between Christians who believe the Bible and are trying to win souls together. For example, it would not be wise to make an issue about baptism in a revival campaign where many different churches were cooperating. However, it would be perfectly in order to make an issue about the deity of Christ, the inspiration of the Bible, the virgin birth, salvation by faith in the atoning blood, etc., even in a revival campaign, and in any company. No Christian has a right to be where he cannot speak up for these fundamentals of the faith.

These fundamental doctrines are really foundation doctrines on which Christianity rests.

3. You say, "Is it true that you cannot understand the gospel unless you use the Scofield Bible?"

Answer: No, that is not true. However, the Scofield Bible does have wonderful helps in understanding the Bible and I strongly advise every Christian to have a Scofield Reference Bible because it has such wonderful helps. But the Scofield notes in the Bible are not as important as the Bible itself and the Holy Spirit will help one to understand the Bible, if he cannot have the Scofield notes. By all means the emphasis should be put on the Word of God itself. However, we should have whatever helps we can well have to understand the Word of God.

In the Saviour's name, yours,
John R. Rice

Is Capital Punishment Murder?

Dear Brother G—:

You say that Exodus 20:13, "Thou shalt not kill," is a command against war, but you are wrong. For lack of information

here, you are misled. There are several different words even in the English language for killing. There is slaughter, assassinate, murder, execute for example. The word used in Exodus 20:13 is "thou shalt not murder." It is not, "Thou shalt not execute," that is, put to death officially by the government. It is not, "Thou shalt not slaughter," which would forbid even the killing of animals. Murder, that is, killing by an individual, for hate or spite or vengeance, is forbidden. But in the next chapter, Exodus 21:12, God commands, "He that smiteth a man, so that he die, shall be surely put to death." You see, an official execution is not the same as murder. If a policeman has a gun battle with a criminal and kills him, that does not violate Exodus 20:13. If a soldier obeying his government and therefore his God bears arms in the defence of his country, he does not murder. A more careful study of the Bible would help in this matter.

In the Saviour's name, yours,
John R. Rice

Bible Teaching About the Sabbath

Dear Brother S—:

It is unfortunate that you are so set on making the Bible teach that Christians should observe the Jewish Sabbath because now you are not likely to listen to what the Word of God says.

Yet I must repeat some things clearly taught in the Bible.

1. The Sabbath was made known at Mt. Sinai (Neh. 9:12). There is no room for speculation, when God says it. If you will read Exodus 16 again you will find that the Israelites were camped near Mt. Sinai when the incidents there given took place. But why should any Christian not believe what the Bible clearly states, that the Sabbath was made known at Mt. Sinai?

2. It is clear also that the account in Genesis 2 was not written, until Moses wrote it down in the wilderness after the law was given.

3. It is clear that not a single person is ever reported to have kept the Sabbath, before Exodus 16. Not Abraham, not Noah, nor Adam nor any other saint of God! You have no right to read into the Bible what is not there.

4. And Colossians 2:13-17 plainly says that the Sabbath is part

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of the ceremonial law ("shadow of things to come") and thus nailed to the cross of Christ, and that no Christian is now to be judged concerning the Jewish dietary laws, or feast days or sabbaths.

5. The Bible clearly and expressly states that the Sabbath was a special sign between God and Israel and the Israelites were to keep the Sabbath. (Exod. 31:13-17). The Sabbath is a special sign setting Israelites apart from others. So the Scripture expressly states.

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6. Not one time in the entire New Testament is anybody commanded to keep the Sabbath. Remember, not a time!

7. The Lord Jesus Christ Himself "broke" the Sabbath. "Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill him, because he not only had broken the Sabbath, but had said that God was his Father, making himself equal with God" (John 5:18). Notice the Bible does not say that the Jews said Jesus had broken the Sabbath, but says that He had broken the Sabbath.

I do not think it worthwhile arguing. If you want the truth you will take it from the Word of God and if you do not then further argument would be useless.

In the Saviour's name, yours,
John R. Rice

The Unpardonable Sin

A young student writes concerning the unpardonable sin. My sermon on the unpardonable sin is published in the book, *The Scarlet Sin and Other Revival Sermons*. However, many may be interested in the answer given here.

Dear Brother B—

Thank you for your letter. You would do well to go back and read again that sermon on the unpardonable sin. You will find the following facts clearly taught in the Bible:

1. There is only *one* unpardonable sin, as Jesus said in Matthew 12:31, 32.

2. The sin was in the heart of the Pharisees, not in their words. "Jesus knew their thoughts, and said..." With their mouths they said they did not believe that Jesus was casting out devils by the power of God. But in their hearts they said He must be the

Saviour. He has all the power of God. Well, even if He is, we still hate Him and will not serve Him, will not trust Him. It was a deliberate and final rejection of Christ.

3. Hebrews 6:4-6 speaks of an unpardonable sin in which it is impossible to bring people again to the point of repentance when they sin against complete and full enlightenment by the Holy Spirit and crucify the Son of God afresh in their hearts. Remember this is the same unpardonable sin, and Jesus said there was only one.

4. Genesis 6:3 says, "My spirit shall not always strive with man." So when the Spirit of God is insulted, and after great conviction and enlightenment are ignored, He sometimes leaves lost people and never comes to convict them any more. And without the moving of the Holy Spirit, of course no one can be saved.

5. One who is already saved cannot commit the unpardonable sin because his sins are already pardoned. John 5:24 says he already has everlasting life and shall not come into condemnation. The unpardonable sin is only for lost people and can only be committed in connection with the matter of rejecting or accepting Christ as Saviour. It certainly is not saying certain words and it is not ascribing the works of the Holy Spirit to the Devil.

6. One who wants to be saved has not committed the unpardonable sin. Revelation 22:17 plainly says that "whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." Anybody who wants to be saved is moved by the Spirit of God and the Spirit has not left him alone, and God is eager to forgive any one who will repent and trust Christ.

In the Saviour's name, yours,
John R. Rice

Predestination and Finding the Will of God

A good brother writes about predestination. To understand this subject the reader should have in mind Romans 8:29, "... whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son..." The following is our letter to the young brother.

Dear Brother A—

I have your letter and hope I can help you.

1. Predestination as taught in Romans 8:28-39, simply means that God knows ahead of time who will trust Him. And He determines that He will carry these right on through, will give them a chance to hear the gospel, will call them and save them and justify them and eventually will glorify them into the image of His Son. Predestination is clearly based on foreknowledge. God does not predestinate anybody to go to Hell. For many scriptures plainly say that whosoever will may take of the water of life freely and whosoever believes in Him will be saved. But when God knows that one will trust in Him then He determines to carry that one right on through until he is conformed to the image of Christ in Heaven.

2. God has plans for your life and of course you ought to more and more seek to have God's perfect will. It is right for you to pray for a car if you need a car, but it ought to be always with this thought, "Lord, I want the best thing You have for me. If You want me not to have a car, then show me what You do want me to have and help me to pray in Your will." One can learn what is the will of God if he has a sensitive heart, if he prays for the Spirit's leading as he reads the Bible and prays, and if he is willing to give up his own will in the matter. I suggest that you keep on praying, but always be willing for God to show you what He wants

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What a joy it was, at our Latham Springs conference, to meet Dr. Ed Hutcherson, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Mexia, old seminary friend. God has richly blessed his work as president of Corpus Christi University, and now again as a vigorous pastor. Brother M. O. Cheek and I had sweet fellowship together again. He is district missionary and does an important work for Baptists in Texas. Brother Hamrick, First Baptist Church, Teague, Brother Roth, manager of the Encampment Grounds, were also very kind. I did not get to see Dr. W. R. White, president of Baylor University. He was in east Texas speaking at a college commencement but I talked to him long distance and he has agreed to help us in the Sword conference at Latham Springs next year.

We were happy at the Siloam Springs conference to meet Dr. Merrill Unger, professor in the Dallas Theological Seminary. He and Mrs. Unger seemed to enjoy the conference greatly and their fellowship was an added joy to us. We are grateful for their generous contribution to our Free Literature Fund and their interest in soul winning. Thank God for fellowship with Christian friends!

Art Green Doing Advance Work for Editor's Revivals

Brother W. A. (Art) Green is doing advance work now for my revivals. He has recently been working in Albany, New York, where I am invited for a city-wide campaign October 14 to November 4. I cannot accept all invitations, of course, but I shall earnestly and prayerfully try to accept the best opportunities for revival campaigns. Where a few pastors are concerned about such a campaign, I would be glad to send Mr. Green to counsel with pastors, to enlist others and to see about plans for large cooperative revival campaigns. We covet the prayers of God's people for all our work, and specifically for the work of Brother Art Green.

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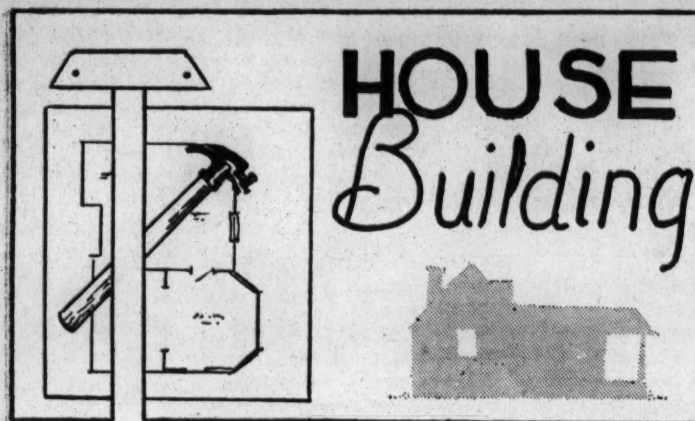
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HOUSE Building

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Jude uses the expression, "Building up yourselves on your most holy faith" (verse 20). Let us proceed to do so. The first part of this building will be—

THE FOUNDATION. No builder would proceed with the superstructure until he was assured that the foundation was sufficient and secured to a firm base. The foundation in every man's life should be Jesus Christ, for we read in I Corinthians 3:11, "Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ." He is indeed the "Rock of Ages." Those who rest upon Him, put their trust in Him, are saved and are safe. He has endured all the ages of the past and will still be a resting place for His people in all the ages to come. Have you laid this foundation in the building which you are erecting for eternity?

THE HEATING PLANT is most essential for there must be provision made for keeping the house warm after it is built. God wants warm Christians that are on fire for souls and whose hearts are warmed with His love. There should be no coldness in this building of ours. We should see to it that our hearts are always kept warm for Him. There should be a fervor in our love that can be felt. Let us guard against a cold heart in our devotions and cold feet in our service. Keep yourselves warm for God.

THERE MUST BE A LIVING ROOM. The old-fashioned "sitting-room" with the open fireplace, the grandfather clock, the comfortable old rocking chairs and the dim light of the lamp invited many a visitor to a happy evening of sweet converse. It is in the living room that we entertain our friends and visitors. Hospitality is so valuable in God's sight that He speaks of some that were "given to hospitality" (Romans 12:13). Paul urged the saints to use hospitality one to the other (I Peter 4:9). What lovely hours we have spent in the sitting room of a Christian friend talking together about the things of our Lord while sharing each other's burdens and joys! Be sure that you have a good, large living room in your house, where you may entertain "angels unawares" and even some who are not so good as angels. Many a heart has been won by the sweet influences of the sitting room.

UPSTAIRS THERE IS A BEDROOM. We need rest. Everyone must rest. Nearly one-third of our whole time is spent in bed. Do you ever rest? The Lord Jesus said, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matt. 11:28). Not only must we make provisions for resting our own weary hearts and burdened minds but we should provide resting places for others. The kind of a guest room you have reveals the kind of heart you have. Do others come to you with their burdens? How sympathetic we should be. How willing we should be to bear the burdens of those who are carrying some heavy load. What

an honor it is to lift the load, from our brother's shoulder and let him rest a while! The busy servant of God needs to take time to rest apart from his labors. It was the Savior who said "Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a while" (Mark 6:31). Have a good rest room in the mansion you are building for Him.

A BATH IS NEEDED. We accumulate so much of soil and sin traveling through life that we must take time to slip away for cleansing. Sometimes things must be burned in the TRASH BURNER. Sometimes the bath will do it. Our house must be fully equipped with means for the removal of dust and dirt; of fault and failure; of sin and shame. The blood of Christ and the Word of Christ are God's two remedies. Do you have them in the house that you are building?

A KITCHEN AND A DINING ROOM are essential in this home of ours for we must feed on good food if we would be fat and flourishing for our Lord. Christ told Peter, "feed my sheep." He did not say, "educate them," though education is valuable and profitable. Christian scholarship is to be commended and invited. It is not, however, vital and necessary. Food is vital to the life. The Lord Jesus said, "He that eateth me, even he shall

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live by me" (John 6:57). The soul that is born of God must feed on bread from Heaven. Spiritual food out of the Word of God makes spiritual men more spiritual. Are you feeding daily on the Bread of Life? Have you arranged for a dining room in your Spiritual Home?

A LIBRARY MUST BE PROVIDED. The Lord places no premium on ignorance. In this house which we build for His name we must provide for teaching and make room for learning. We are to grow in the knowledge of the Son of God. We are to study to show ourselves approved unto God. We are to learn the Ways of the Lord, the Word of the Lord, the Will of the Lord and the Works of the Lord. Knowledge is a fountain; knowledge gives strength; knowledge gives power. Intelligent Christians can do far more for God than ignorant ones. To know how to do God's work in God's way assures the blessing of God on the effort. Let us study carefully the sixty-six books in God's library that we may be intelligent believers and educated servants of our Lord.

THE MUSIC ROOM will bring joy to the heart of God and man. Many Christians provide no music in a house which they are building for God. Singing is a sign of the Spirit-filled life. Singing is a proof of the presence of victory. It was David's songs in the midst of his sorrows that drove away the shadows and made him more than a conqueror. It was when the singing began in the Temple that the Glory of God filled the house. It was when the song of the Lord began in the forefront of the Army that God discomfited their enemies. Songs break down adamant walls. Songs break stubborn hearts. Songs revive the drooping spirit. Have you a music room in your house?

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pleasing to God in the energy of the flesh. We must move out of the way, that God may have room to work according to His way—how, when, and where as He shall choose.

"For it is God which worketh in you, both to will and to do of his good pleasure" (Phil. 2:13).

To humble ourselves is to no longer depend upon our own ideas, our own opinions, our own abilities, our own plans, our own projects, our own programmes, our own power, or our own anything. It is to be utterly and always dependent upon God. To be otherwise than this is simply to be self-confident, self-complacent, and self-

sufficient; in short, to be proud. To humble ourselves is to become channels only—only channels—just that and nothing more, through which the mighty Spirit of God may pour Himself unhindered upon the needy hearts of men.

To humble ourselves is to have no plan but that which God provides and which He may be reckoned on as the power to perform. It is to have no project but what He proposes and propagates. It is to have no purpose but what He approves.

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us, as He wills to all around. It is to be blessedly abandoned to God—the Holy Spirit. It is a making way for Christ, who is the life, to fill and overflow in "more abundant" (John 10:10).

To humble ourselves, all pride must go—all pride; pride of position or possessions, of place, or race, or face, or grace. We must drop all pride in merely worldly or religious prominence and get down, that Christ may be in the pre-eminence (Col. 1:18). "He must increase, but I must decrease" (John 3:30).

To humble ourselves is to let God take the management of affairs, and to be sweetly satisfied that "the government is upon his shoulder" (Isa. 9:6). It is to be "nothing" that God may be "all in all."

*Oh to be nothing, nothing,
Painful the humbling may be,
But low in the dust I'd lay me
That the world might my Saviour see.*

"Low in the dust"! that is the place of humility, and that is the first essential condition for revival.

Again we enforce the fact that no progress can be made till we, who are God's people, get there. The "I" must move out if God is to move in. "If my people . . . will humble themselves." So long as the Laodicean spirit which reasons that we are "rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing," holds sway, we are manifestly puffed up with self-sufficiency and pride, and know not that we are "wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked," and that our direst need is HIM—the Christ of God, who stands outside the door and knocks (Rev. 3:17-20). Oh, for divine enlightenment to discern our poverty and need!

There is enough to humble us, we who are God's people, if only we would take an honest survey of the past, and see how faulty, fluctuating, faithless, and fruitless all the efforts of our self-life had been.

Let us clearly recognize the fact that what hinders God from working in us is simply ourselves. When God says: "Be clothed with humility" (I Pet. 5:5), we may not

openly resent God's command, or reject His claims; but if we continue in our course of unconcerned indifference, we are indulging in what is simply unbelief and a subtle form of pride. And it is written:—

"God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble."
"HUMBLE YOURSELVES therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time" (I Pet. 5:5-6).

"SUBMIT YOURSELVES therefore to God . . . HUMBLE YOURSELVES in the sight of the Lord, and He shall lift you up" (James 4:7, 10).

"Whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted" (Matt. 23:12).

Shall we, beloved, acknowledge our failure and our need; confess our sins of the past and our inability for the present, and our need of utter dependence upon God? Shall we "let go and let God"?

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God's Altar in the Home

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By Editor John R. Rice

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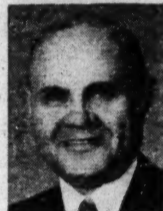
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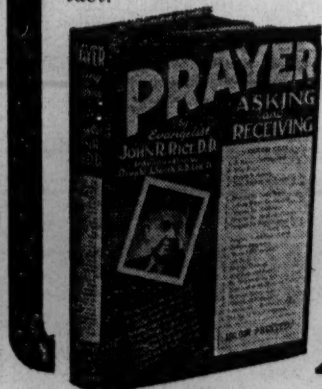
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Revival!

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And it is ever so. If God is to come in, He must be invited. He must be asked to come. It is the humbled heart that is best fitted to pray.

True prayer means approach to God, appeal to God, invitation to God, expectation from God, and appropriation of God. When God is sincerely sought for and desired, and when His conditions are observed, then He comes. "Ask . . . I will do it" (John 14:14).

PRAY, then!

Pray for what? That God the Spirit shall come down upon His own people in mighty and convicting power. Pray that He reveal to them their need of Himself. Pray that He open their eyes to see the all-sufficient supplies in Christ, that are ready to meet and satisfy their needs and the needs of others through them. Pray that they shall appropriate HIM. Pray, "LORD SEND A REVIVAL, AND LET IT BEGIN IN ME."

PRAY, where? In private (Matt. 6:6), at the family worship, "where two or three are gathered together in my name" (Matt. 18:16-20), "in the great congregation." Pray "everywhere" for revival in the church of God.

Revive Thy work, O Lord,
Thy mighty arm make bare,
Speak with the voice that wakes the dead,
And make THY PEOPLE hear!

PRAY, when? "Without ceasing" (I Thess. 5:17). Till the answer comes. "Men ought always to pray and not to faint" ("Never lose heart"—Weymouth) (Luke 11:5-10).

PRAY, why? Because prayer brings God into things, and helps in purifying our lives. "Prayer

changes things." "Prayer brings victory." "Pray, brethren, pray!" "Don't stop praying!"

"And Seek My Face."

This is God's next condition. This is perhaps the most crucial step of all toward revival.

As it is GOD we are needing it is GOD we must seek. None but GOD can satisfy.

To "seek my face" means, to seek ME. It means to have a personal, face to face dealing with God Himself. There must be nothing and no one between us and God.

It is just here that a very subtle danger may arise in our desires for revival. Our hearts may be seeking more keenly for the blessing than for the face of God—the Blessor Himself.

Other faces—the faces of men—leaders in revival movements, or prominent in religious work, may have more fascination for us than the face of God. The warning is needed. Our supreme quest must be for God Himself. Anything short of that will fail to satisfy both us and HIM.

The flesh readily finds its satisfaction in other faces. The spirit never can be satisfied but in God alone. It is in His presence, face to face with Him, that alone there is revealed to us our deep and desperate need. There, too, it is we find in God Himself that fullness of life that fills and overflows.

Beloved, to miss this "face to face" transaction with God Himself, is to fail in obtaining that revival that is deep, enduring, and real.

To "seek MY face" is "far ben." It carries us beyond all the circumstances of passing excitements

or merely emotional and evanescent joy to that rightness with God that gives us a deep-settled and abiding peace in Him. This provides and produces a perpetual revival for ourselves, and rivers of life and refreshing to the dead, dry, and thirsty souls around (John 7:38).

Beloved, settle it now that anything less than a whole-hearted desire for God will never yield a God-sent revival. As the result of man's effort after revival, there may be intense excitement and much energetic movement. But all this is possible to the flesh apart from God. Let us see to it that it is God we seek, and when we seek HIM we shall find HIM. So it is written: "Ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart" (Jer. 29:13).

To meet God face to face is a heart-searching and a life-transforming process. It is in His presence we see ourselves just as we are, and "abhor" ourselves (Job 42:6). It is there we see Him as the only satisfaction of our longing hearts, and appropriate Him as our all in all.

We are "transformed by beholding," and it is this transformation that attracts the attention of men. The touch, the tone, the look, of the transformed soul, all tell that the life that is now lived in this mortal body is, "not I, but Christ." Thus sin-sick, weary, heavy-laden hearts meet Him in us. They are convicted, quickened, converted, and comforted by the Christ who is the life. By this in-

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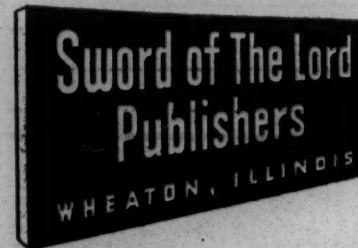
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flow of God we are revived. And by His outflow through us they are regenerated.

"Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness [God]: for they shall be filled" (Matt. 5:6).

Beloved, art thou "hungering and thirsting"? Art thou longing for revival? Then, listen to His gracious invitation, "If any man thirst, let him come unto ME [seek My face], and drink."

"He that believeth on Me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water" (John 7:38).

"Seek my face." The "flesh" dreads this close contact with God. The "Spirit" delights in it. When we have "humbled ourselves" and tasted of the blessedness of that liberty that comes from full surrender to Christ, then it is not difficult to seek His face, and His alone. Indeed, we want no other face. The face of man is futile to meet our need. It is the sight of Him in all His holiness that reveals our own deplorable corruption. In His light we discern our darkness. In His sinless purity we behold our own selfish sinfulness. In His presence is a safe place, however restricted it may seem. It is the place where our spirits are revived, and we drink in the satisfaction of our heart's desire. It is in His presence that the pleasures of this passing world lose their charm and give up their grip.

*I've heard the voice of Jesus;
Tell me nought of aught beside,
I've seen the face of Jesus,
And my soul is satisfied.*

It is by that vision of His beauty and that sense of His all-sufficiency that the next step towards revival is made easy.

"And Turn From Their Wicked Ways":—

When we have "turned to God" (1 Thess. 1:9), surely the wicked ways will have been left behind, for ye "cannot serve two masters" (Matt. 6:24). When we have seen His face, the idols that have occupied our hearts, demanded our

time, and absorbed our devotion, will no longer keep their hold.

The heart that has had its hunger satisfied by the sight of His face no longer wants the things that pander to "the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life" (1 John 2:16). All these become abominable to us, because they are abhorrent to Him.

Herein lies the explanation of the dropping of the pipes and discarding of the cigarettes by the young converts at times of revival. The indulgences that were selfish and sinful, the occupations that were harmful, the recreations that were doubtful, are let go. This is a turning from their wicked ways. And it must be so. It is God's condition for revival.

It may be that, just here, lies the hindrance to revival in the lives of many of God's people. They do not turn from their wicked ways. Their ways may not seem wicked to them, simply because they have not sought His face and brought their character and conduct under His all-searching eye. They have not seen their ways as God sees them.

Let us never forget, beloved, that our ways are always one of two kinds. They are either "righteous," or they are "wicked." God's ways are not our ways (Isa. 55:8). What is so often reckoned by man as "innocent enjoyment," in God's sight may be wickedness of a very subtle sort; simply because it excludes God, and panders to the self-life that opposes Him.

For instance, it must be grievous in the sight of God to see His people "unequally yoked together with unbelievers" in the worldly, fleshly, and satanic amusements of these degenerate days. His face cannot countenance such things. In a world that is "dancing mad," "dressing mad," "boxing mad," "football mad," "racing mad," "theatre mad," "pictures mad," "gambling mad," "concert mad," "money mad," "pleasure-seeking mad," surely God's people should be different; seeking and finding their joy in spiritual things, and in all that pleases God and glorifies Him.

It is a significant sign of the times that even God's own people are "lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God" (II Tim. 3:4). This

must be altered if revival is our quest.

When ministers and people alike decline to participate in worldly and unscriptural methods adopted to draw the crowd, then the Holy Spirit will get away. When they are willing to give up their personal, doubtful indulgences for Christ's sake, and the sake of others who are led astray by their example, then they will have power from God with men. When they discountenance the dancing halls, the picture palaces, theatrical performances, and such like, and manifest that joy which comes from pleasing Christ, then Christ, who is the life, will be a reality to them and to others through them.

It is related of David Cordiner, one of the youthful leaders in the recent revival in the North of Scotland, that he was deeply convicted by the Holy Spirit regarding his habit of cigarette smoking. It was consciously a "something between" him and God which had to be put away. It was "a wicked way." On his voyage from Yarmouth he bundled the lot of his cigarettes into the stove of his boat and as they burned the fetters that had bound him fell away. He was liberated from his bondage and filled with the Holy Spirit. Then he went up to Fraserburgh on fire for God. And so it ever is. The thing, the person, the place, the project that hinders God from having all His way with us is "a wicked way," and must go. Such loss will be our surest gain. God never asks us to give up anything but what is paltry and passing in comparison with "the unsearchable riches of Christ," which He is waiting to make real to us, when we make way for Him to work. He sees and knows that the passing pleasures of the world are only tinsel, toys, and trash, and are hindering us from the enjoy-

ment, even now, of fuller life and heavenly wealth in Christ.

Let us grip this fact, beloved, that God in Christ is ever giving. He gave us life in Him at the start of our Christian career, and what He longs to do now is to revive us; to pour that life into us in never-failing and ever-increasing abundance. But when the channel is blocked, the hindrances must be cleared away. We must "put off," "let go," and "turn from our wicked ways."

"Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the Lord" (Lam. 3:40).

"Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near."

"Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon."

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord."

"For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts" (Isa. 55:6-8).

How empty, how trivial, how trashy is anything that holds us back from a full surrender to Christ, and holds Him back from others through us!

Oh, beloved, "seek His face!" And in the sight of His surpassing holiness all that is unlovely, all that is wicked, all that is unchrist-like will drop away.

*Oh, since I've seen His beauty,
All else I count but loss;
The world, its fame and pleasure,
Is now to me but dross,
His light dispelled my darkness,
His smile was, oh, so sweet!
I've seen the face of Jesus—
I can but kiss His feet.*

Oh, beloved, consider at what a tremendous cost we let the "blocks" in the channel remain; at what eternal loss it is that we continue in our wicked ways.

*Hast thou heard Him, seen Him,
known Him?*

*Is not thine a conquered heart?
'Chief among ten thousand' own
Him,
Joyful, choose the better part.*

*Idols, once they won thee, charm-
ed thee;*

*Lovely things of time and sense;
Gilded thus does sin disarm thee,
Honey'd, lest thou turn thee
thence.*

*What has stript the seeming beauty
From the idols of the earth?
Not the sense of right or duty,
But the sight of peerless worth.*

*Not the crushing of these idols,
With its bitter pain and smart;
But the beaming of His beauty,
The unveiling of His heart.*

*'Tis the look that melted Peter,
'Tis the face that Stephen saw,
'Tis the heart that wept with Mary,
Can alone from idols draw.*

*Draw and win and fill completely,
Till the cup o'erflow the brim;
What have I to do with idols,
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And, so it is, we "turn from our" (Continued on page 11)

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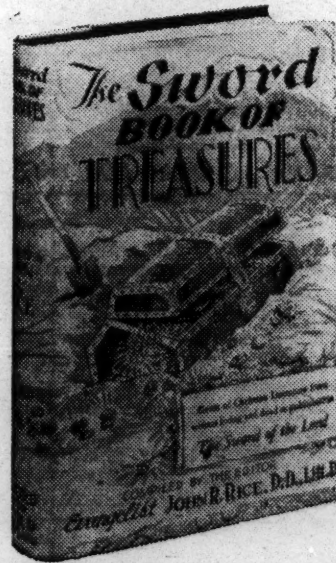
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We need to study methods of presenting the lessons, and we need to study the scholars. I am so glad for this convention! It pays to stop and get the tools in order. This illustration was once given me: A man was shoveling sticky

clay. Beside him he had a pail of water. He would dip his shovel into the water, and then into the clay, then go back and dip it into the water, and then into the clay, and it took him just as long to keep his shovel in condition to do the work as it did to do the work. But did the man who hired him complain? No, indeed! for if he had not taken the time to keep his shovel in the proper condition, it would soon have been so covered with clay as to be useless for the work which he was hired to perform. It is always best to take time to keep the tools in order; so we need to study methods and principles of teaching.

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Mr. Reynolds once told me of a man in his Sunday School who did not have the ability to teach, but he used to stand in the door and shake hands with every one who went in or out, and Mr. Reynolds said that man shook more boys and girls into the kingdom of Heaven than any of his teachers taught in. There is power in a smile. A little boy once said: "Please, Mister Superintendent, let me go over to that class where the teacher smiles so much."

In the twenty-second verse of the ninth chapter of I Corinthians, Paul said: "I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some." The successful teacher adapts himself to the situation. That is tact. This business takes tact. It does not do to ask a man if he is saved when he is running to make a train. You must know the persons in your class, and adapt yourself to the disposition and need of each.

A teacher, to be a success, must have beyond his teaching the spiritual life. For, after all, it is what the teacher is that really tells. Emerson said: "How can I hear the words you say, when what

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wicked ways" to "walk in newness of life" (Rom. 6:4). So it is as a clean and empty vessel in His Hand, we may be used by Him to lead sinners to His feet, and saints into a fuller experience of their possessions in Christ. So it is we glorify our Father who is in Heaven (Matt. 5:16). Beloved, will you not pause and say this very moment, if it applies to you:—

*The dearest idol I have known,
Whate'er that idol be,
Lord Jesus, take it from Thy throne,
And I will worship THEE.*

THEN what? THEN REVIVAL!

"Then Will I Hear From Heaven and Will Forgive Their Sins, and Will Heal Their Land."

"THEN." When? When "my people" have fully and truly entered into the conditions, THEN God will give the promised result.

God's process is indeed very simple. It is very plain.

"IF—Then will I hear." And "if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him" (I John 5:15).

BUT—"If I regard iniquity in my heart [if I continue in my wicked ways], the Lord will not hear me" (Psa. 66:18).

Surely it is clearly manifest where the responsibility for delayed revival lies. It is not that God holds back His gracious presence and His all-conquering power. It is because "my people" do not conform to the conditions that are needful.

Shall we, beloved, face this fact individually? Shall we say, with divine intention, "I will—." Others may not pay the price of these conditions to receive the proffered power, but "I will—by Thy grace, O Lord, I will."

*I clasp the hand of Love Divine,
I claim the gracious promise mine,
And the eternal countersign,
I take—He undertakes.*

*I take the promised Holy Ghost,
I take the power of Pentecost,
To fill me to the uttermost.
I take—He undertakes.*

*I simply take Him at His word,
I praise Him that my prayer is heard,
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I take—He undertakes.*

*I take THEE, blessed Lord,
I give myself to Thee.
And Thou, according to Thy word,
Dost undertake for me.*

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"IF my people . . . shall— THEN will I . . ."
Beloved, the challenge is sent forth to us by God Himself through His own Word; and the alternative is to contemplate:— "IF my people . . . will NOT . . ."

What then?

"THEN WILL NOT I . . ."
Others may not yield to His blessed invitation, and by their negligence, indifference, or unbelief, may hinder the mighty miracle-working power of God on their own and other hearts, and thwart the healing of the land; but you beloved—you individually may say, "I will—"

Thus you may experience an individual revival, and that cannot happen without others being convicted, converted, and blessed.

*Jesus, fill now with Thy Spirit,
Hearts that full surrender know;
That the streams of living water
From our inner man may flow.*

*Channels only, blessed Master,
But with all Thy wondrous power,
Flowing through us, Thou canst use us,
Every day and every hour.*

In days gone by, when the prophets of Baal sought to vindicate the presence and power of their false god by the efforts and energy of the flesh, it is recorded—

*"[Elijah] repaired the altar of the Lord that was broken down . . .
And he put the wood in order,
cut the bullock in pieces, and laid him upon the wood . . ."*

"And it came to pass, at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, let it be known this day that thou art God in Israel and that I am thy servant, and that I have done all these things at thy word."

"Hear me, O Lord, hear me, that this people may know that thou art the Lord God, and that thou hast turned their heart back again."

"THEN THE FIRE OF THE LORD FELL, and consumed the burned sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench."

"AND WHEN ALL THE PEOPLE SAW IT, THEY FELL ON THEIR FACES: and they said, The Lord, he is the God; the Lord, he is the God . . ."

"And Elijah said unto Ahab, get thee up, eat and drink; FOR THERE IS A SOUND OF ABUNDANCE OF RAIN" (I Kings 18:30, 33, 36-39, 41).

Beloved, when in the face of all the "false prophets" of these modern days, and their carnal methods to vindicate themselves and their gods; when Elijah-like we have "humbled ourselves," and "our all is on the altar"; when we pray; when we "seek HIS face"; when we "turn from our wicked ways"—then the fire of the Lord will fall, and consume the sacrifice. The people will see it, and will say:—

"THE LORD, HE IS THE GOD."

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service."

"And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God" (Romans 12:1-2).

Then "the fire of the Lord" will fall.

*Pray! beloved, pray! and, shall this be thy prayer:—
OH, THAT IN ME THE SACRED FIRE,
MIGHT NOW BEGIN TO GLOW,
BURN UP THE DROSS OF BASE DESIRE,
AND MAKE THE MOUNTAINS FLOW.*

*REFINING FIRE GO THROUGH MY HEART,
ILLUMINATE MY SOUL;
SCATTER THY LIFE THROUGH EVERY PART,
AND SANCTIFY THE WHOLE.*

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S. S. Teacher a Soul Winner

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you are is thundering in my ears." One boy said to another: "I don't take any stock in my teacher any more." "Why?" said the other. "Because when you add him up there is nothing to carry."

Teachers, you are more than instructors. You want to be what you seek to have your scholar become, and a good lesson is absolutely spoiled by a bad life. The gospel gets into a man's heart not so much by words as by wedges. A man told this story of his conversion. He said: "I was a gambler, and I went into Pacific Garden Mission one night and heard a man testify who said: 'Jesus Christ saved me, and I was a gambler.' The next night I went again, the same man got up and said: 'Jesus Christ saved me, and I was a gambler.' I listened to that testimony for six straight weeks, forty-two nights in succession, and I made up my mind if that story was true for six weeks it was true for me, and I was saved." It is what we are that tells the story.

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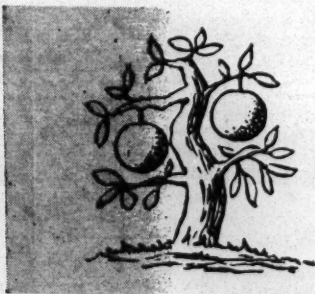
Win Pupils One By One

Do personal work if you want to be successful. I have had teachers come to me and say: "I have only one scholar in my class today; don't you think I had better let him go in some other class, and I will go home?" On nineteen different occasions Jesus sat down and taught one scholar. Our scholars are not won by classes, but one by one. It is hand-picked fruit we want. Andrew is only mentioned separately three times in the Bible, but one time it is said he brought in his brother Peter, and do you know, it seems to me that Andrew will get a whole lot of stars in his crown for the three thousand souls Peter won on the day of Pentecost.

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